UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

FRANCISCO M. GARCIA,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 1:18-cv-00017-JTN-ESC Hon. Janet T. Neff

vs.

HUNAN WYOMING, INC., d/b/a HUNAN CHINESE RESTAURANT, and PHUNG HUYNH, an individual,

Defendants.

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STIPULATION AND ORDER EXTENDING DUE DATE FOR ANSWER

Stipulation

The parties are engaged in active and productive settlement negotiations. Given the costs of litigation compared to the amount in dispute, the parties do not believe further pleading and litigation is warranted at this time, especially as they have made significant progress in attempting to reach an amicable resolution to the claims made in this matter. Both parties are in agreement that as positive movement has been and continues to be made in resolving this dispute, it is in their mutual interest as well as would serve the interests of justice and judicial economy to allow them additional time to conclude their negotiations. For these reasons the parties believe there is good cause for extending the date for Defendants' responsive pleadings to

March 8, 2018. The parties therefore stipulate to the entry of an Order effectuating such an extension.

APPROVED:

McShane & Bowie, P.L.C.

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Counsel for Defendants

Dated: Z-16-2018

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Counsel for Plaintiff

Dated: 2-16-2018

<u>Order</u>

Upon the stipulation of the parties, as indicated by the signatures of their counsel as set forth above, and the Court being otherwise apprised in the premises,

NOW IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the deadline for Defendants to serve and file pleadings responsive to the Complaint is extended to March 8, 2018.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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